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Re. *Petition for Arbitration of XO Tennessee, Inc. with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996*  
Docket No. 03-00630

Dear Pre-Arbitration Officer Stone:

This is in response to your Notice of August 18, 2004 requesting suggested dates for mediation or proposed dates for a Status Conference for the purpose of deciding how to proceed in this Docket. At this point, given recent pronouncements from the FCC, the parties request additional time, until Wednesday, September 8, to notify you as to whether the parties request a mediation session or a Status Conference. Also, as additional information, BellSouth intends to submit a proposed, revised Attachment 2 to XO by September 3, 2004.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. A copy of this letter is being provided to counsel of record.

Very truly yours,



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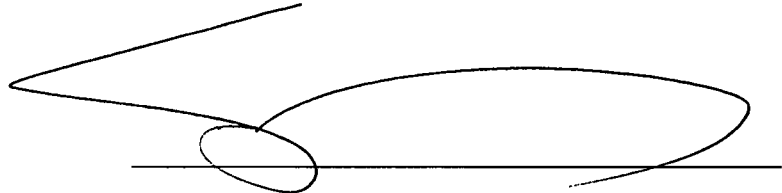
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